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APPLICANTS RESPONSE
TO
OFFICIAL ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 31, 2000



AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

1.. Amend claim 18 as follows:

-- 18 . (Amended) An aqueous glittering ink composition as set forth in claim 16, wherein the content of the glass flake pigment is 0.01 – 40% by weight, the water-soluble resin is 0.01 – 10% by weight and the water-soluble organic solvent is 1 – 40% by weight, relative to the total amount of the ink composition --.

REMARKS

THE OFFICE ACTION

In the Official Action dated October 31, 2000, The Examiner:

1. Acknowledged a claim of priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 (a)-(d) and receipt of certified copies of all of the priority documents.
2. Acknowledged receipt of the Information Disclosure Statement (PTO-1449) mailed June 15, 2000 and consideration of the three foreign patent documents cited therein.
3. Rejected claim 18 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for lack of antecedent basis.
4. Rejected the following claims as being anticipated under 35 U.S.C. §102 by the following respective references:

- a. 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12
- b. 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12

Kanbayashi et al. (U.S. Patent 6,083,311);
Miyashita et al. (U.S. Patent 5,474,603);